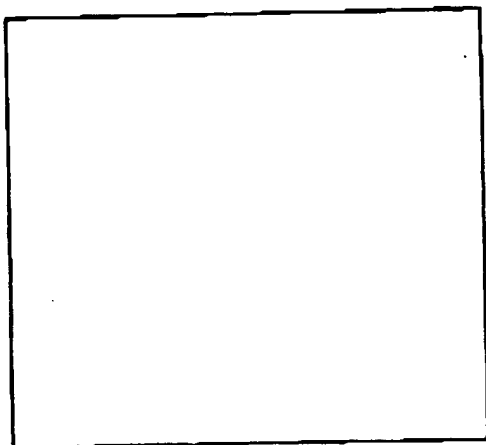


Remarks

Claims 5 to 25 remain in this application.

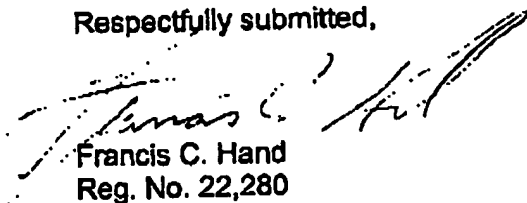
Claims 5 to 25 have been allowed.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.



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